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City Council Work Session

Action Agenda Summary

Monday, March 7, 2022 at 6:45pm

Council & Staff at City Hall: 10710 Main St. NE

OPEN MEETING: Mayor Olmsted opened the March 7, 2022 Work Session Meeting of the Donald City Council at 6:47 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Council Present In-Person: Mayor Rick Olmsted, Councilors: Councilor Gerry Waller, Amy Nichols and Councilor Buzzard.

Council Absent: Council President, Katie Gonzalez (excused).

Staff Present: City Manager, Eric Underwood.

ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS: None

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

I. ARPA Final Rule Funding Restrictions and Infrastructure Spending Priorities

City Manager Underwood referred to his memo that was included in the Council's packets for prior review. Highlights of the Final Rule were reviewed which included a discussion of funding categories, eligible uses for ARPA funding and ways that the Final Rule has been broadened from the Interim Final Rule. Manager Underwood also discussed Final Rule restrictions. Several potential City projects were mentioned as being eligible and the priority of those projects was discussed by the Council. The Water Plant Improvement Project, storm water improvements and Blake Court were mentioned by Manager Underwood as priorities. The mayor explained to Councilor Nichols and to the public the ARPA funding allocation process.

Discussion ensued about the Drinking Water Well Project describing the scope of the project and how the decision to build the project was made. Also, there was a discussion of sidewalks as a priority and the possibility of using ARPA money to install ADA ramps in new sidewalks. It was suggested that staff look into grants for sidewalks including the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The mayor conveyed his hopes for additional infrastructure funding to come our way.

For a future meeting the Council would like information on the following:

- Stormwater Master Plan Cost Estimate

- A rough idea of the scope/cost of the sidewalks/ADA ramp installation (Phase 2/eastside of railroad)
- Additional Water Plant improvements
- A good understanding of Capital Improvement Plan (Water system plan) – what projects are listed.
- Background information on Marion County Police Services
- Stormwater improvement costs and priority areas

II. Declaration of Emergency COVID-19

City Manager Underwood referred to his memo that was included in the Council's packets for prior review. Discussion was had about State guidance changes for COVID-19 and the Council's options moving forward.

III. Donald Tourism

City Manager Underwood referred to the handouts that were included in the Councilors packets for prior review. Several different tourism initiatives were discussed along with the partnership with North Marion Tourism Collaborative.

ADJOURN


Mayor Olmsted adjourned the Work Session meeting at 7:55pm.

Date: April 12, 2022

Signed: 
Rick Olmsted, Mayor

ATTEST:

Date: April 12, 2022

Signed: 
Eric Underwood, City Manager

Respectfully submitted by Eric Underwood, City Manager